

Dear Educator:

Looking for a way to introduce earth sciences to your students? Increase awareness of environmental concerns. Interested in providing a "museum quality" field trip right outside your school at no cost? ERIC, The Education Recycling Information Center, may be the solution.

ERIC is a sustainably built classroom on wheels which features interactive displays, hands on activities, and other fun and exciting ways to promote the three R's of Recycling – Reduce, Reuse, and Recycle. The goals of the ERIC unit are to:

- Introduce students to environmental stewardship
- Reduce waste at its source and divert recyclables from the landfill
- Decrease contamination of recyclables
- Properly dispose of solid and hazardous waste
- Educate the public on the benefits from recycling

ERIC's mission statement is:

"Together we can encourage our community to reduce, reuse, and recycle...Turn old things into new things, buy responsibly, and help the environment by preserving natural resources."

ERIC's educational exhibits heighten awareness, increase understanding, and generate enthusiasm. This educational outreach program introduces students to sustainable practices through hands on activities and stimulates interest in the field of environmental science and green industry careers.

